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EDMONTON BULLETIN, JAN., 11th, 1901.

COMING HOME.

The men of the second contingent reached Halifax on Tuesday and the Edmonton detachment may reasonably be expected home early next week. They have done honor to us in South Africa; they have carried the name and fame of Canada to the highest place in the esteem of the empire; they have played the part of a son of an and of heroes; and it is only fitting that we should show our appreciation of the service they have rendered and the sacrifices they have made on the occasion of their home coming. These are the men of whom Gen. Smith-Dorrien said on perusing from them after their having been engaged during eight of the last sixteen days of their stay in the Transvaal, that "he would choose no other mounted troops in the world before them." This is high praise from a high authority, and would not have been given had it not been deserved.

The second contingent volunteered when the British cause was at its worst; but hard knocks, and plenty of them; a taint and an occasion that was the true test of loyalty and manhood. It was this rally of the second contingent in Canada and Australia that caused the British cause to emerge at the military weakness of the empire to wonder at what might be the limit of its strength. The second contingent, went to fight and they did fight. They were actively employed from the day they landed until the day they left. Always the first to begin shooting and being shot at and last to quit. How many of them came back in the night, but there are all the more welcome because of it. Possibly the fact that they had brains as well as powder may have had something to do with it. They went by the British flag, because they were in the need of it, and they came home the same way. They have mixed what would no doubt have been a pleasing experience to most of them—a visit to the Old Country. But if they cannot see how their work in fighting Britain's battles in Africa, and in a great deal better, namely, how their work in fighting Canada's battles is appreciated here.

For those whose lives have been sacrificed to the deadly bullet and more deadly fever seeking can be done, but their friends should be made to feel by the character of the recognition accorded those who are returning that the sacrifice are appreciated by their fellow citizens. And those who have been maimed or who have suffered loss of health should be made to know that we understand that they are bearing the burden that belonged to all.

No doubt Canada will in due course duly honor by returning soldiers, but it would be pleasing to the men who have risked and in many cases sacrificed, so much if they should be met at their home coming with a welcome such as is in every one's mind, but which is of no value if it is kept there. They should get at least such a reception as they did a send-off on New Year's night a year ago. The cheers which they received as the train pulled out from Strathcona were, no doubt, remembered with pleasure on many a distant field and in many a trying situation in South Africa. We will be doing ourselves little credit if after our men having gone on such a mission and having returned with such honors, we do not once again loosen up our hearts, our voices and our purses so that we may honor ourselves by fittingly honoring them. These men and their comrades have fought the great British empire, and all Canada as well, under a debt of gratitude to them. We share in their honors by showing our appreciation of them.

The report that the Crow's Nest coal lands have been sold out to J. J. Hill for five millions is causing a good deal of comment and denial. The story is founded on the idea that the Crow's Nest coal company holds a monopoly of the coking coal lands of the Rocky Mountain region of Canada. This is where the story is weak. There is far more coal east of the summit of the Rockies and outside the Crow's Nest company's lands than exists west of the summit. Most of it is Dominion government property and a large part of it is coking coal. No doubt the development which has taken place at Petrie makes that field a specially valuable besides the fact that it is a few miles nearer the Kootenay smelters. But though Mr. Hill paid twenty millions for those coal fields it does not by any means give him a corner on coking coal. By the way this same Mr. Hill paid \$25,000,000 a few days ago for the Chicago-Milwaukee & St. Paul railway. Did he get the five millions if he got it for the Crow's Nest coal mines from the same source, to wit: Van Horne, Stephen and Angus with Lord Strathcona understood.

BLANKET CHARTERS.

The Canadian Northern Railway is applying to parliament for a blanket charter practically covering the whole of Manitoba. At last session of parliament such a charter was granted to the C. P. R. It was asked for by that company for the express purpose of throttling the Northern Pacific; and apparently accompanied by like efforts in other quarters has succeeded. It is to be supposed that the Canadian Northern have just as good a right to a blanket charter as the C. P. R. had. A blanket charter is a charter granted to an existing railway company covering ground in a number of parts of the country where the company have no present intention of building. The purpose is that the existence of this charter to be held by one company will weaken the credit of an opposing company so that that company will not build. The idea of a blanket charter then is, not to build but to prevent the building of railways. The people grant charters in order to have railways built. And the application of an actual charter to prevent the building of railways is a manifestation of that constantly developing intellectuality of the railway promoter which so far has enabled him to keep ahead of the game in all its stages.

The country which actually means to build need only ask, and should only be granted, authority for as much line as it will build within the time and under the terms granted. But the excuse for the blanket charter asked for by an existing company is that charters are granted in all times to all applicants, without their being held to the letter, or even the spirit, of the terms. Such charters are in most cases now a day's only asked for so that they may ultimately be sold out to a company which means business; and a company which is a going concern may very reasonably ask for a blanket charter in order to protect itself from such promotion sharks.

This bold application for a blanket charter by our friends Mackenzie & Mann, of the Canadian Northern, brings up the question of their relations with the C. P. R. At last session of parliament they successfully opposed the attempt of the C. P. R. to blanket their territory in the Dauphin country with branches of the M. & N. W., then recently acquired by the C. P. R. It will be interesting to know what case they have to offer in support of their present application to enter C. P. R. territory. Of course wherever they mean to build they are entitled to the privilege. It may be that this endeavor to double blanket Manitoba with railway charters will have the effect of inducing the adoption of a more discriminating and restrictive policy on the part of parliament in the granting of railway charters generally and incidentally bring up the whole question of railway legislation and railway control.

A WATER RAILWAY COMBINE.

THAN HAS BEEN

The news that the Great Northern has purchased the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway with money furnished by the big guns of the C. P. R., is news indeed. It means that the Great Northern and the C. P. R., have joined forces and the combination have now two complete transcontinental systems, one south of the Great lakes and the other, parallel and the other north. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, connecting the two great cities of the west was one of the best and most profitable railways in the states. It gave the connection between the many Atlantic railways which centered at Chicago and the three Pacific railways which centered at St. Paul. Instead of levying toll on both systems as it formerly did it has become a part of both.

Has this fusion of C. P. R. & Great Northern interests any connection with the suggested combination between the C. P. R. and the Canadian Northern and the Atlantic? If we are face to face with two such gigantic railway combines the time for government control has certainly arrived.

It would be interesting to know just where our old friends, Sir Wm. Van Horne, R. B. Angus and Lord Mount Stephen got that \$25,000,000. The railway business must be better than farming. It almost looks as though the C. P. R. could stand another cut in the rates on grain. And what is the matter with such a prosperous company paying their share of the school and road taxes of the Northwest after say the first of March?

Of course that old and tried friend of the Northwest and of Canada, the Canadian High Commissioner, Lord Strathcona, had nothing to do with this deal. He has not used his position as Canadian High Commissioner that little French-speaking millions which has been used with the intent of making railway competition in Canada, and to a great extent in the States, impossible. What chance has any competitive railway enterprise to get money on the British market in the face of the position held by, and interests represented by Lord Strathcona. It is high time that the big check which has been held by the C. P. R., the Hudson Bay Company and the Bank of Montreal to the detriment of competing business interests in Canada, through the position of Lord Strathcona were done away with. Canada cannot afford to have her embryo enterprises slaughtered on the British money market by even so suave or so benevolent a gentleman as Lord Strathcona.

We want other railways besides the C. P. R. We must look to Britain for

a large part of the money to build them. And we place as our special agent in Britain a man whose every interest is bound up in preventing that very competition which we most need.



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The rain may come and go, but its effect upon

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is nil. There is no shrink in it. The goods are all sponged and shrunk before being made up. Shorey's reputation is attached to each individual garment—you will find a guarantee card in the pocket.

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Our prices on Choice, Fresh Groceries are rapidly increasing our Grocery Trade.

Terms Cash..

ROSS BROS.

HOUSE TO RENT.

On Fourth Street, opposite Presbyterian Church. For particulars apply to

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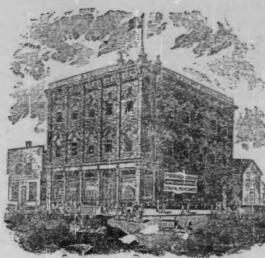
LOST.

On or about the 13th December one cycle with red, with tail attached, heavily lined. Lost between River Road and Sunnyside Schoolhouse. Finder leave at H. Bell's or Bulletin Office.

Rams for Sale.

Two yearling rams for sale. Highest pedigree and registered Oxford Downs. Apply care this office.

McDougall & Secord,



General Merchants

Take this opportunity to thank our ever increasing number of customers, both in town and country, for the very large trade that we have been favored with during the year now drawing to a close.

We have tried to satisfy all our customers and if possible give them better value for their money than they could get elsewhere. We believe we are doing so right along. The stock we carry is one of the largest and best in the country. In Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, Groceries, Gents' Furnishings and Boots and Shoes we aim to carry the best. For the coming year, the first of the new century, we hope to do even better for our customers than ever before.

We believe it, is going to be an eventful year for Edmonton and also a prosperous one for town and country.

With best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year for all who are here and the new settlers who will come.

McDougall & Secord.

Turkeys, Fish, Pork Sausage, Lard, Bologna, Breakfast Bacon, Head Cheese, Prime Beef and Pork, Mutton.

Highest Cash Price paid for Hides.

VOGEL & TOMLINSON.

Children's Flannelette Dresses

Any-Size. Any Price.
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As a strengthener of body and mind after any nerve destroying illness—WILSON'S INVALIDS' PORT is unexcelled.

In addition to its curative properties, it contains bodily nourishment.

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WOMEN complain of a tired feeling: Wilson's Invalids' Port is immediate and efficacious, leaving no harmful effects.

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MEN will find it particularly valuable as a restorative and a strengthener of the body and nerve system.

For the convenience of the Consumer a Corkscrew is attached to every bottle.

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AND

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Satisfaction guaranteed, because

1st I have the experience;

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3rd I have the knowledge of the financial standing of the residents.

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THE WEATHER OF 1900

The following is the highest and lowest temperatures for each day of the year as shown by the government meteorological office here:

	Max.	Min.
January 1st	12	-11
" 2nd	12	0
" 3rd	12	-2
" 4th	12	-4
" 5th	12	-4
" 6th	17	8
" 7th	17	8
" 8th	12	0
" 9th	12	0
" 10th	10	-6
" 11th	41	13
" 12th	40	-28
" 13th	25	8
" 14th	25	8
" 15th	36	12
" 16th	36	12
" 17th	22	-1
" 18th	40	30
" 19th	40	30
" 20th	42	32
" 21st	37	17
" 22nd	37	17
" 23rd	34	9
" 24th	27	6
" 25th	31	9
" 26th	31	9
" 27th	32	5
" 28th	32	5
" 29th	32	5
" 30th	32	5
" 31st	32	5

Mean precipitation for the month: 3.2 in.

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House Furnishings.

Blankets, Sheetings, Quilts, Curtains, Art Muslins, Cretonnes, Table Linens, Towels, Carpets, Etc.

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Ladies' Fur Coats, less than Cost.

WE ARE GOING OUT OF CARPETS

and have a few Bargains left. See them.

J. H. Morris & Co.

Terms: CASH. Free and prompt delivery.

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10 per cent. off for one week.

For Fine Repair call at S. NANKIN'S.

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Colar Sash and Doors, Frames, Moulding and Turned Work

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COAL.

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THE WEATHER OF 1900.		
The following is the highest and lowest temperatures for each day of the year, as shown by the government meteorological office here:		
	Max.	Min.
January.	12	-11
Monday, 1st	12	-6
Tuesday, 2nd	7	-4
Wednesday, 3rd	16	-4
Thursday, 4th	17	8
Friday, 5th	12	0
Saturday, 6th	12	0
Sunday, 7th	5	-2
Monday, 8th	10	-1
Tuesday, 9th	41	13
Wednesday, 10th	45	-23
Thursday, 11th	40	3
Friday, 12th	39	5
Saturday, 13th	40	3
Sunday, 14th	32	12
Monday, 15th	32	10
Tuesday, 16th	41	11
Wednesday, 17th	38	39
Thursday, 18th	40	33
Friday, 19th	45	22
Saturday, 20th	42	32
Sunday, 21st	37	7
Monday, 22nd	23	10
Tuesday, 23rd	34	9
Wednesday, 24th	27	10
Thursday, 25th	22	-2
Friday, 26th	1	-31
Saturday, 27th	12	-5
Sunday, 28th	32	12
Monday, 29th	32	15
Tuesday, 30th	32	12
Wednesday, 31st	32	12
Total precipitation.	4.4 in.	
April.	80	17
Monday, 1st	24	9
Tuesday, 2nd	12	-3
Wednesday, 3rd	36	-10
Thursday, 4th	36	-10
Friday, 5th	32	-8
Saturday, 6th	-17	-22
Sunday, 7th	-10	-40
Monday, 8th	9	-21
Tuesday, 9th	40	4
Wednesday, 10th	33	22
Thursday, 11th	21	-21
Friday, 12th	8	-18
Saturday, 13th	-7	-25
Sunday, 14th	-2	-10
Monday, 15th	5	-20
Tuesday, 16th	7	-5
Wednesday, 17th	3	-8
Thursday, 18th	9	-6
Friday, 19th	6	-1
Saturday, 20th	29	8
Sunday, 21st	32	20
Monday, 22nd	30	14
Tuesday, 23rd	28	12
Wednesday, 24th	35	21
Total precipitation.	1.2 in.	
May.	83	4
Monday, 1st	7	-20
Tuesday, 2nd	2	-12
Wednesday, 3rd	5	-11
Thursday, 4th	4	-16
Friday, 5th	8	-11
Saturday, 6th	1	-11
Sunday, 7th	22	-1
Monday, 8th	10	9
Tuesday, 9th	45	15
Wednesday, 10th	39	22
Thursday, 11th	44	33
Friday, 12th	41	4
Saturday, 13th	32	-1
Sunday, 14th	37	2
Monday, 15th	10	10
Tuesday, 16th	83	82
Wednesday, 17th	47	19
Thursday, 18th	48	33
Friday, 19th	46	85
Saturday, 20th	39	22
Sunday, 21st	47	27
Monday, 22nd	45	29
Tuesday, 23rd	36	23
Wednesday, 24th	30	18
Thursday, 25th	35	20
Friday, 26th	28	18
Saturday, 27th	48	12
Sunday, 28th	55	50
Total precipitation.	1.7 in.	
June.	57	35
Monday, 1st	50	24
Tuesday, 2nd	53	35
Wednesday, 3rd	53	35
Thursday, 4th	61	37
Friday, 5th	61	37
Saturday, 6th	67	37
Sunday, 7th	62	38
Monday, 8th	51	32
Tuesday, 9th	48	31
Wednesday, 10th	41	32
Thursday, 11th	69	35
Friday, 12th	62	36
Saturday, 13th	61	37
Sunday, 14th	60	35
Monday, 15th	62	37
Tuesday, 16th	69	37
Wednesday, 17th	68	37
Thursday, 18th	67	38
Friday, 19th	65	38
Saturday, 20th	64	38
Sunday, 21st	54	31
Monday, 22nd	56	41
Tuesday, 23rd	61	31
Wednesday, 24th	61	31
Thursday, 25th	60	44
Friday, 26th	60	35
Saturday, 27th	53	33
Sunday, 28th	62	33
Monday, 29th	69	44
Tuesday, 30th	78	43
Total precipitation for month.	2.2 in.	
July.	72	38
Monday, 1st	66	35
Tuesday, 2nd	71	32
Wednesday, 3rd	73	45
Thursday, 4th	78	53
Friday, 5th	71	45
Saturday, 6th	71	45
Sunday, 7th	77	51
Monday, 8th	73	45
Tuesday, 9th	78	78
Wednesday, 10th	78	49
Thursday, 11th	78	49
Friday, 12th	62	47
Saturday, 13th	69	42
Sunday, 14th	69	42
Monday, 15th	76	45
Tuesday, 16th	75	50
Wednesday, 17th	74	41
Thursday, 18th	74	41
Friday, 19th	74	41
Saturday, 20th	73	39
Sunday, 21st	67	44
Monday, 22nd	59	49
Tuesday, 23rd	61	38
Wednesday, 24th	69	43
Thursday, 25th	69	43
Friday, 26th	66	47
Saturday, 27th	63	35
Sunday, 28th	63	35
Monday, 29th	62	38
Tuesday, 30th	66	38
Wednesday, 31st	71	43
Total precipitation.	2.7 in.	
August.	68	44
Monday, 1st	60	46
Tuesday, 2nd	71	39
Wednesday, 3rd	72	46
Thursday, 4th	64	41
Friday, 5th	67	44
Saturday, 6th	63	44
Sunday, 7th	72	43
Monday, 8th	69	37
Tuesday, 9th	69	37
Wednesday, 10th	70	44
Thursday, 11th	70	44
Friday, 12th	69	37
Saturday, 13th	70	44
Sunday, 14th	66	46
Monday, 15th	71	39
Tuesday, 16th	72	46
Wednesday, 17th	64	41
Thursday, 18th	67	44
Friday, 19th	63	44
Saturday, 20th	63	44
Sunday, 21st	63	44
Monday, 22nd	63	44
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Sunday, 28th	63	44
Monday, 29th	63	44
Tuesday, 30th	63	44
Wednesday, 31st	63	44
Total precipitation.	2.7 in.	

SCHOOL BOARD HERE.

The school board met in the office of the secretary-treasurer on Wednesday at 4 p. m., all the members being present except T. Bellamy, who was absent from town.

A communication was read from the Alberta Music Co. re the teaching of music in the schools.

Moved by Messrs. Taylor and Short that the matter be laid over to be dealt with at a full meeting of the board.

On motion of Messrs. McCauley and Taylor it was resolved: That this board did not deem it advisable to engage another teacher to teach music besides the regular staff, owing to the rush of other work.

Moved by Messrs. McCauley and Taylor that the opening of school by the recitation of the Lord's prayer be optional with the teachers.

A. Taylor, on behalf of the committee appointed for that purpose reported, that he had visited the schools, finding the rooms well filled, but that the principal and the inspector were of the opinion that a redistribution could be arranged so as to avoid overcrowding until midsummer. The report was adopted.

Moved by Messrs. Short and Taylor that the secretary consult Mr. Perrett regarding the certificate of Miss Rogers, with a view of endeavoring to have the same extended to midsummer.

The following accounts were passed: Ross Bros., \$120; Stovel & Strang, \$150; Stovel & Strang, 3.05; Ed. District Telephone Co., 1.00; K. W. MacKenzie, 2.75; Coal, 28.15.

BOARD OF TRADE COUNCIL.

The council of the board of trade met on Wednesday in the board rooms at 5 p. m. There were present Messrs. Giesberg, Larue, Willmot, McDougall, Kirkpatrick, Lines Walker and Tims. A motion was made appointing Mr. F. F. Tims secretary, just on his declining, a motion was carried that he act as secretary pro tem.

It was moved by Messrs. Kirkpatrick and Willmot, and carried, that the secretary be instructed to write the postmaster-general and to forward a letter to him through F. Oliver, M. P. re securing mail service on the extra train which now runs on the C. & E., but does not carry mail.

Moved by Messrs. McDougall and Walker that the same proceedings be gone through on a mail service at least once a month to Peace River and every three months to Lake Athabasca and Great Slave lake.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

At the regular convention of Jasper Lodge No. 6 Knights of Pythias, held last night the following officers were elected for the ensuing term, and duly installed by G. C. J. C. F. Bowen: C. C. E. Greer on; V. C. R. J. Macdon; M. W. R. Hockley; P. J. K. Morrison; K. of R. and S. G. H. L. Bessange; M. of R. S. Bayner; M. of F. Jas. A. Ross; M. A. A. A. E. Pattison; L. G. F. E. Richardson; O. G. C. W. Slatton.

NATURAL HEROES.

Hailey Jan. 8.—The steamer Roslyn Castle with the second Canadian contingent was made out of the harbor at seven o'clock this evening and came to anchor at Quarantine half an hour later. The troops disembarked on Wednesday morning. A large crowd welcomed the returning soldiers, including many relatives who had awaited several days in the city for the arrival of the vessel. A child was sent over the glass of the vessel by the news that Lieut. Fulton and Sergt. Trumpler, of Winnipeg, had died on the voyage and were buried at sea. Among the arrivals were Messrs. Giesberg, Jamieson and McLeod, who enlisted at Edmonton.

BLAVER LAKE EAST.

The school closed at Xmas. It will re-open, probably before spring.

Since 1893 the teacher here has been doing high school work almost continuously to accommodate two ratepayers. In this he has helped two teachers on this side, is threatening to "put out" both trustees and teacher because he can't get more of it? What about the inspector? Is he to go too?

There are two events connected with the Xmas season here that have been a regular feature for many years. Mr. Henry Bell always sends large barrels of candy around to the "kids" and Mr. and Mrs. Fene give the school a grand "blow-out." It is needless to say that both events are much appreciated.

Alex. McAllister, who took many orders last spring for an excellent history of the South African war, will shortly be around delivering the books. The volume was intended to have 500 pages, but owing to the length of the way will have 300 pages of additional matter. The book gives a full account up to Lord Roberts' proclamation annexing the Transvaal.

Jan. 3, 1901.
—H. Burkholder and family, of East Edmonton, leave in a few days for Clearwater, where Mr. Burkholder has purchased a farm.

PUBLIC HOSPITAL.

The directors of the Edmonton Public Hospital beg to tender their thanks for donations during December to Mrs. West, Sergt. Aston, Mr. Goodall, Ladies of Edmonton hospital aid society, Dr. Harrison, donation for operating table, Messrs. Bremner and Short, and the Gallagher-Hull Co., Mrs. Emery, Mrs. McQueen, Mrs. Bradshaw, Hudson's Bay Co., Mr. Sanderson, and Miss Waldbrook, Red Deer industrial school.

GREEK CHURCH SERVICES.

Rev. J. Korchak, missionary of the Orthodox-Greek church has rented the large brick house on the corner of Namoye avenue and Eighth street to be used as a church and school. School will be conducted for the Baccovenian and Galician residents every evening by Mrs. Korchak. Service will be held every third Saturday in the month at 7:30 and every third Sunday in the month at 9:30 a. m. and 3:30 p. m.

CURLING.

Emmanuel trophy.

Raymer, 9, vs. Goodwin, 8.
McIntyre, 16, vs. Downett, 11.
Lewer, 15, vs. Mercer, 3.
Raymer, 18, vs. McDonald, 7.
Downett, 1, vs. McKay, 9.
McCauley, 10, vs. Goodwin, 11.
McDonald cap.

McCauley, 13, vs. Raymer, 7.
Raymer, 13, vs. Jardine, 4.
Ramsey, 13, vs. Storey, 12.
Stokes, 13, vs. Mathers, 2.

AVERAGE TEMPERATURES.

On the fifth page of to-day's issue is given the full report of the highest and lowest temperatures each day in the past year. The figures show that the average temperatures for each month are:

January	16.9
February	10.3
March	20.2
April	46.2
May	58.7
June	69.2
July	58.7
August	59.4
September	60.9
October	40.7
November	21.8
December	23.6

ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.

At a special meeting of the A. O. F. held on Tuesday the following officers were elected for the year.
P. C. R. J. W. Kelly.
C. R. G. H. L. Bessange.
S. C. R. P. C. Campbell.
Treas. W. H. Aldridge.
Sec. W. H. Bennett.
S. W. John Robertson.
J. W. Geo. Stevenson.
S. H. Wm. Boncher.
J. B. Edgar W. Armstrong.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Queen's—E. Knowlton, Star; T. M. Barrett, Leduc; A. Debus, Edna.

Alberta—Major Griesbach, Inap. West; J. E. Bradburn, Fort Saskatchewan; Mrs. C. Pratt, Stony Plain; S. Villa, Hamilton; J. S. Johnston, N. Touzart, Wetaskiwin; J. D. Foster, Strathcona; L. W. Miller, Stillmore, Minn.

Jasper—J. McGillis, A. Krampa, Camilla; F. Glave, H. Lehman, Stony Plain; J. Williams, Clover Bar.

Queen's—W. F. Tower, Stony Plain; G. A. Lowe, St. Albert; J. C. Paynter, Stony A. Lumsden; M. Beasler, P. Kulkase, Fort Saskatchewan; J. C. Hare, Mrs. Hare, Beaver Hills; (Mr. Menier, Morinville.

Jasper—A. J. McDougall, Camilla; Alberta—O. H. Hutchins, L. Goidbok, Toronto; W. T. Linsyter, Acton; E. Dugg, G. E. Handley, Winnipeg; J. S. Johnston, Wetaskiwin.

Victoria—L. Henderson, H. C. Hebert, St. Albert; J. Perra, J. Goin, Morinville; J. Allan, G. Kanagy, Poplar lake; J. Claverie, Egg Lake; J. Goure, Mrs. Porgante, Riviere qui Barre; S. Eccles, D. Bolden, Spruce Grove.

FATAL SHOOTING ACCIDENT.

Carlton Record.

A gloom was cast over our village on Thursday evening when the startling news given out that Mr. Wright, the full vigor of early manhood, had been accidentally shot and instantly killed by a ball from a revolver fired by his bosom companion, Mr. H. P. D'Arcy, our popular young druggist. Mr. D'Arcy is prostrated by the sudden shock and the whole community sympathize with him over the unfortunate accident.

The fatal shot was fired in the Cardston Drug Co's store and was witnessed by Alex. Campbell. Mr. Campbell had borrowed a revolver to use in the dramatic performance and it being a large and clumsy weapon to handle Mr. D'Arcy offered to loan a smaller one, procuring it from a drawer in the rear of the store. Coming forward he snapped the hammer, and the shot was fired which closed the life of one of Cardston's leading school teachers for ever. Mr. Wright came from Smiths Falls, Ont., and his people have been telegraphed for. He was a member of C. O. F. and carried a good insurance. The verdict of the jury was We the undersigned find that Mr. F. W. Wright came to his death by the accidental discharge of a pistol in the hands of Harry D'Arcy.

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CHRISTMAS AT THE LANDING.

Related reports from - Athabasca Landing tell of the celebration of Christmas there. The day was one of the highest in the history of the northern berg, and surpassed that of any other town in the Territories. Some of the leading spirits of the Landing had commenced preparations in good time by circulating a subscription list on which over \$100 was subscribed by the residents of the place. Posters were written out by Geo. Russell and Count Von Hammerstein in English, French, German, and Cree and posted around the town and at different points along the trail, and also sent out to outlying native settlements. The posters told of shooting competitions, with fat pigs and turkeys for prizes, of dog races, of a theatrical performance in the evening by local amateurs, and of a grand ball in the town hall, which was to follow the theatrical performance and be continued for as many days as the participants desired, or until the provisions ran out. The notices were given and the invitations accepted until the crowd that thronged Athabasca avenue reminded the inhabitants of the palmy days of the Klondike rush. From Moose lake, Chilling lake, Eagle lake and the Landing trail the people came by canoe, snow shoe and dog team. Around the suburbs of the town wigwags were erected, camp fires gleamed and "bunkies" howled and fought.

The festivities commenced on Christmas eve by a Christmas tree and entertainment in the school house of the English church, instead. Every one present, child and adult, was given a present, and chocolate and cake were served. Addresses were delivered by Miss Young and Mrs. Young; an original song entitled "Happy Christmas Time" was sung by Rev. Richard Cox; Mrs. W. Leslie Woods sang "The Maple Leaf"; Count Von Hammerstein and S. A. Dunley sang "My Girl is a high born lady"; and the proceedings were terminated by the singing of "Soldiers of the Queen," and the national anthem, after Count Von Hammerstein in a neatly worded speech, had expressed to Bishop Young and the ladies of the congregation the thanks and appreciation of the assemblage for the enjoyable evening which had been so kindly provided.

The next day, Christmas, was observed in royal style, when the shooting and other sporting events took place. The prizes were useful and decidedly substantial. A fat hog, dressed, and a turkey were given to the winner of the whitestem rifle match, 150 yards, and won by Geo. Russell. Jas. Woods was second, winning two turkeys and a box of cigars. Colin Johnston came third and won a box of cigars. In the revolver competition Ed. Williams did some wonderful shooting and dispatched all competitors. At seventy-five yards with six shots he made 6 bulls eyes and out of five bottles thrown in the air he broke four before they touched ground. The prize was a watch given by Geo. Russell. In the ladies match, 75 yards with 22 cal. rifle Mrs. Ed. Williams was first, winning a silk necktie, Miss Young second, work basket Mrs. Renison, third, gold thimble and work basket. In the dog race five teams of huskies started. The course was up the hill, around a barrel and back. When turning the barrel the dogs got tangled up and indulged in five minutes free-for-all "rough house," during the progress of which a small dog striving a single dog and a hand led got in first and corralled the prize, a bag of flour. In the shooting match for half-breed the marksmanship was not so good as in the silk necktie. Tom Taylor won the match and a big.

"In the evening in the 'opera house' was presented for the first time the comedy drama the "Dark secret," written by Ed. Williams and Count Von Hammerstein in collaboration. The cast consisted of Miss Gordon, Mrs. Ed. Williams, Mrs. Johnston, J. Woods, Oscar Von Hammerstein, and Colin Johnston and Ed. Williams. The play made a big hit and did the numerous specialties with which it was interspersed.

A dance wound up the most successful and the largest celebration in the history of Athabasca Landing. The proceedings were entered into with a feeling of heartiness which insured their success. During the dance a take walk was held, the winning couple being Miss Gordon and Mr. Chelpe. The prize was a silver watch. The judges were Messrs. Russell, Woods and Gullion.

To the promoters of the affair all kinds of credit are due for their energy and enterprise.

C. P. R. LAND SALES.

Free Press. W. Toole, the C. P. R. land agent at Calgary, is off the city on his annual visit to the interior. Mr. Toole said the cattle in Alberta had done well this year, and were in excellent condition. The C. P. R. land sales for his district had been \$165,000 for 1900, against 117,000 for 1899. They had expected a phenomenal crop last season, but there were a few left back. The crop had, however, been a splendid one.

Alberta had also been favored in the matter of immigration, not only in numbers but in class. The number to settle was 15,000 and the great bulk of these were eastern Canadian or American farmers, who would be an acquisition to any country.

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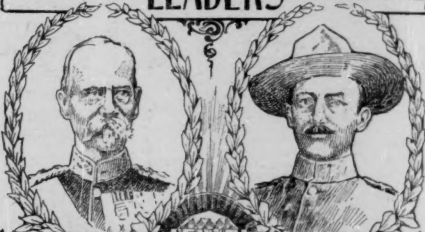
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LOST ON THE PRAIRIE.

Calgary, Jan. 2.—Gordon McConnell and John McNeils, two Pekisko ranchers, have lost their lives under peculiar circumstances. About the beginning of last week they drove out to visit friends, when they imbued rather freely, the consequence being that when they started for home both men were considerably the worse of liquor.

As might be expected, they lost their bearings, their horses bolted and the two men were thrown out of the rig. They were compelled to pass the night on the prairie.

McConnell, who was a sufferer from heart disease, was unable to move, while his friend would not leave him. They were picked up in the morning, but McConnell had before then succumbed.

Dr. Welch was summoned - from Sheep Creek to attend McNeils, whose hands and feet were terribly frozen, but the doctor was handicapped in his efforts by the lack of a trained nurse for his patient, who, after a few days, was accordingly brought to town for treatment at the Holy Cross hospital.

While there the unfortunate man became crazed through pain and partly as the effect of the liquor he had drunk, and became extremely violent but was finally overpowered. Everything possible was done to alleviate his sufferings, but in spite of all he died in great agony on Wednesday night. McConnell was buried in the Calgary cemetery from the church of the Redeemer, Thursday, while McNeils' funeral took place Friday afternoon.

BIRTHS.

Brisette—On Sunday, Jan. 6th, at Morinville, the wife of E. Brisette, of a son.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

The staff diary of Lieut.-Col. Evans C.M.R., for the two weeks ending November 15, shows that the total strength of his force at the time of writing was 283. The following had been discharged: Corp. S. Smith, N. W. M. P., to settle in South Africa; Pte. R. G. S. Sket, N.W.M.P., Kitchener's Holy Ground; H. L. Houlgate, Calgary, to settle in South Africa; S. W. McLaughlin, N. W. M. P., joined military police; A. McKinley, Edmonton, Imperial military railway; V. H. R. Blasco, N. W. M. P., to settle in South Africa; Invalided home: Pte. G. H. Aton, N. W. M. P.; Pte. T. Dewier, Macleod; A. Champion, N. W. M. P.; Pte. A. M. Gow, Mcleod; Pte. C. H. Marchand, Edmonton; Pte. J. Mongroen, Pincher Creek; Pte. R. W. Hackell, Halifax; Pte. A. Storey, N. W. M. P. Col. Evans also deals with the operations of the rear guard of Sm. th-Dorrien's force on the retirement from Koomatie river to Bellair and gives an account of the capture of Lieut. Bliss when that officer was robbed of his revolver, cigars and cigarettes. When Lieut. Bliss was captured the owner of a farm which the Canadians had just burned wanted to have him shot, but the other Boers demurred at this, and the officer was released.

A NEW GRAIN.

Commenced: A new grain which has been grown to a limited extent in Manitoba this year is called Speltz. It is said to be a Russian grain, and is grown in that country and Germany. The seed here was obtained from a foreign settlement in Dakota. It was sold in Winnipeg last spring by W. G. Douglas, grain dealer, in small lots to a number of farmers throughout the province. Mr. Douglas has received reports from the farmers who grew this grain last summer, and they all speak very favorably of it. Though the

PEACE PARTY IN ORANGE RIVER, CALIF.

The central peace commission, Kroomstadt, has issued a circular to the effect that the peace party in Orange River, California, is a very trying one, it produced good crops, as much as 100 bushels of wheat from one bushel of seed. It is claimed of Speltz that it produces a heavy crop, is easily grown, stands drought much better than most cereals, ripens early, and makes a superior feed grain for animals. It is also said to be better for the soil than straw of other grains, in that because resembling something like wheat and rye when threshed. The berry, however, is held in a tough husk and does not so easily shatter in threshing. The berries grow wheat together in the hand. The two together in the hand. The grain has a limited quantity of this grain for seed for the spring and last.

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